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SUBJECT: TURKISH BASE NEGOTIATIONS: JOINT USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

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1. IN PRIVATE MEETING WITH TURKISH WORKING GROUP CHAIRMAN
ASULA TODAY (FEBRUARY 4) GARDNER EMPHASIZED THAT LANGUAGE
TURKS WERE PROPOSING FOR JOINT USE OF COMMUNICATIONS
ARTICLE WAS UNACCEPTABLE BOTH BECAUSE OF THE POTENTIALLY
BROADER COMMITMENT IT SUGGESTED AND BECAUSE OF THE PRECEDENT
IT WOULD SET. WHEN QUERIED, ASULA CONFIRMED THAT FORWARD

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SCATTER AGREEMENTS MENTIONED PARA 2 REFTEL WERE NO LONGER CON-

SIDERED VALID BY GOT. HE NOTED THAT PARA 9 OF THE TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENT FOR U.S. FORWARD SCATTER SYSTEM DATED MAY 25, 1962 CLEARLY PLACED THIS ARRANGEMENT UNDER THE 1954 MILITARY FACILITIES AGREEMENT, WHICH WAS REPLACED BY THE 1969 DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT (DCA). THE CABINET DECISION INVALIDATING DCA AND OTHER RELATED AGREEMENTS THEREFORE DEFINITELY APPLIED AND COULD ONLY BE REVOKED BY ANOTHER CABINET DECISION, WHICH ASULA BELIEVED WAS NOT OBTAINABLE.

2. ASULA RAISED POSSIBILITY OF INCLUDING JOINT USE OF COMMUNICATIONS IN A "JOINT USE ANNEX" TO THE NEW DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT, BUT STATED THAT TGS WOULD ALSO REQUIRE AN ARTICLE IN THE BASIC AGREEMENT REFERRING TO THIS ANNEX. GARDNER PROPOSED AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES WHICH WOULD REVIVE THE FORWARD SCATTER SYSTEM TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENT. ASULA RESPONDED THAT, SINCE THIS EXCHANGE OF NOTES WOULD REQUIRE CABINET APPROVAL, IT WAS NOT AN APPROPRIATE SOLUTION.

3. FOR THE MOMENT, THE COMMUNICATIONS ARTICLE IS BEING PLACED IN TURKISH BRACKETS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE DEPARTMENT'S VIEW MENTIONED PARA 4 REFTTEL. MACOMBER

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